Weston Public Library Board of Trustees

Meeting minutes February 3, 2020

In Attendance

- Jennifer Warner, Director
- Allison Palmgren, Assistant Director
- Linda DeLaney, Trustee
- Dee Freiberg, Trustee
- Emily Hutcheson, Secretary

- · Joe Mullin, Vice-Chair
- · Julie Panagakos, Chair
- · Susan Scott, Trustee
- · Cecily Cassum, AIC Board
- · Camille Schmidek, FWPL

Call to order by Julie Panagakos at 9:32 AM

Approval of minutes

Motion: by Joe Mullin to approve the Minutes of January 13, 2020. Second: by Susan Scott.
 Motion passed unanimously.

Director's report

- The embargo MacMillan imposed on libraries wanting to buy new copies of e-books was
 discussed, as well as the resulting boycott by some Massachusetts libraries. The Board is
 concerned, and aware that a group effort would be more effective than a solo boycott. We
 would like more information on how other area libraries are proceeding, as well as seeing
 whether the ADA will speak up in support of vision-impaired people.
- Programs continue to be well attended, including a completely full pastel painting workshop.
- · A baby yoga program will begin in February.
- The outreach librarians led a well-received discussion of "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks" at an assisted living facility.
- The order for 4 more chairs was placed on Jan. 16. Jenn will help the lead custodian develop an inventory and ongoing maintenance plan.

AIC update (Cecily Cassum)

- The banners are up!
- After extensive negotiations and fact-finding, Jenn has signed a 2-month contract with CoCreateX. They will host 7 programs, a community webpage, and Sunday open houses, and will find instructors for tech classes.
- Audrey Pepper has done a great job setting up art classes and performances.
- The Friends have made a generous \$5000 donation to fund more classes.
- Thursday Open Studios are beginning to draw more people.
- We are exploring possible collaborations with the City of Waltham and Metro West.

Next Meeting: March 2, 2020 at 9:30AM

Meeting adjourned at 10:27AM

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Hutcheson, Secretary